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# hogs and pigs

MARCH 1972 (10 Corn Belt States)



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Hogs and pigs on farms March 1 in the 10 Corn Belt States are estimated at 41.8 million head - 6 percent less than a year earlier, according to the Crop Reporting Board. Hogs for breeding at 6.5 million are down 8 percent while market hogs at 35.3 million are off 6 percent from March 1971. The 10 Corn Belt States include Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.

The December-February 1972 pig crop, estimated at 13.3 million, is 6 percent below last year. A 10 percent decrease in sows farrowing was partially offset by a 4 percent rise in average litter rate.

Hog producers in the 10 States currently intend to farrow 7 percent fewer hogs during both March-May and June-August than in the same periods a year earlier.

## INVENTORY DOWN 6 PERCENT

The March 1 inventory is estimated at 41,792,000, down 6 percent from last year, with all States down except Indiana and Missouri which were virtually unchanged from 1971. Decreases range from 2 percent in Illinois to 14 percent in Nebraska and South Dakota, with Iowa down 7 percent. Hogs kept for breeding, at 6,449,000, were down 8 percent.

Market hogs are estimated at 35,343,000, down 6 percent from last year. All weight groups are below a year ago. By weight groups the March 1, 1972 number on hand and decreases from last year are as follows: Under 60 pounds--12,418,000, down 726,000; 60-119 pounds--7,833,000, down 286,000; 120-179 pounds--8,814,000, down 681,000; 180-219 pounds--5,257,000, down 355,000; 220 pounds and over--1,021,000, down 77,000 head.

#### DECEMBER-FEBRUARY PIG CROP DOWN 6 PERCENT

Sows farrowing during December 1971-February 1972 totaled 1,822,000, 10 percent below a year earlier. The average litter rate was 7.30 compared to 6.99 in 1971 and 7.22 in 1970. All 10 States farrowed fewer sows than a year ago with the largest decline in Nebraska, down 19 percent. The pig crop at 13,297,000 head was 6 percent below a year earlier.

#### MARCH-MAY INTENTIONS DOWN 7 PERCENT

Hog producers in the 10 States intend to farrow 3,082,000 sows during March-May, 7 percent fewer than last year. All 10 States show declines with the largest drop, 13 percent, in South Dakota. Iowa, the Nation's leading hog producing State, is down 7 percent.

#### JUNE-AUGUST INTENTIONS DOWN 7 PERCENT

The first intentions estimate of sows to farrow June-August in the 10 States is 2,158,000 head, 7 percent below 1971. Kansas, with no change, is the only State not expecting a decline. The declines range from 4 to 16 percent with Iowa 7 percent below last year.

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Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, sows farrowing and pig crop,  
10 States, 1970-1972

Item	:	1970	:	1971	:	1972	:	1972 as percent of 1971
	:		:		:		:	
	:	1,000 head			:	Percent		
	:		:		:		:	
<u>Number on Farms-March 1:</u>	:							
All hogs and pigs	:	40,178		44,441		41,792		94
Kept for breeding	:	7,427		6,973		6,449		92
Market	:	32,751		37,468		35,343		94
	:							
<u>Market hogs and pigs</u>	:							
<u>by weight groups</u>	:							
Under 60 pounds	:	12,618		13,144		12,418		94
60-119 pounds	:	7,100		8,119		7,833		96
120-179 pounds	:	7,682		9,495		8,814		93
180-219 pounds	:	4,421		5,612		5,257		94
220 pounds and over	:	930		1,098		1,021		93
	:							
<u>Sows farrowing</u>	:							
December 1/-February	:	1,894		2,028		1,822		90
March-May	:	3,530		3,324		2/ 3,082		93
December 1/- May	:	5,424		5,352		3/ 4,904		92
June-August	:	2,554		2,330		2/ 2,158		93
September-November	:	2,645		2,420				
June-November	:	5,199		4,750				
	:							
<u>Pig Crop</u>	:							
December 1/-February	:	13,675		14,173		13,297		94
March-May	:	26,014		24,101				
December 1/-May	:	39,689		38,274				
June-August	:	18,334		16,890				
September-November	:	18,899		17,554				
June-November	:	37,233		34,444				
	:							
	:							
<u>Pigs per litter</u>	:							
	:							
December 1/-February	:	7.22		6.99		7.30		104
March-May	:	7.37		7.25				
June-August	:	7.18		7.25				
September-November	:	7.15		7.25				
	:							

1/ December preceding year.

2/ Intentions.

3/ Intentions for March-May.

Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, breeding, market and total  
December 1, 1970 and 1971, selected States

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	1971			1971			1971		
	1970	As % of	1970	1970	As % of	1970	1970	As % of	1970
	Number	1970	Number	Number	1970	Number	Number	1970	Number
	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	Percent	1,000 head	Percent	
Ohio	369	313	85	2,469	2,298	93	2,838	2,611	92
Indiana	615	596	97	4,514	4,584	102	5,129	5,180	101
Illinois	1,023	924	90	6,445	5,676	88	7,468	6,600	88
Wisconsin	299	275	92	1,633	1,502	92	1,932	1,777	92
Minnesota	543	514	95	3,149	3,030	96	3,692	3,544	96
Iowa	2,203	1,975	90	14,119	12,878	91	16,322	14,853	91
Missouri	717	652	91	4,403	4,007	91	5,120	4,659	91
S. Dakota	291	262	90	1,718	1,606	93	2,009	1,868	93
Nebraska	480	432	90	3,211	2,890	90	3,691	3,322	90
Kansas	297	273	92	1,905	1,827	96	2,202	2,100	95
Total 10 States	6,837	6,216	91	43,566	40,298	92	50,403	46,514	92

Market Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, by weight groups,  
December 1, 1970 and 1971, selected States

State	Under 60 lbs.		60-119 lbs.		120-179 lbs.		180-219 lbs.		220 lbs. and over	
	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971	1970	1971
	1,000 head									
Ohio	988	896	716	655	469	460	247	234	49	53
Indiana	1,445	1,421	1,354	1,375	993	1,054	609	615	113	119
Illinois	2,481	2,134	1,740	1,510	1,289	1,135	722	692	213	205
Wisconsin	653	601	425	391	318	293	196	180	41	37
Minnesota	1,055	1,030	929	879	630	606	409	406	126	109
Iowa	4,942	4,688	3,671	3,297	2,894	2,614	2,019	1,764	593	515
Missouri	1,651	1,703	1,189	930	881	813	484	417	198	144
S. Dakota	618	578	430	386	301	321	266	241	103	80
Nebraska	1,188	1,041	803	751	674	621	385	361	161	116
Kansas	724	740	552	493	333	311	229	219	67	64
Total 10 States	15,745	14,832	11,809	10,667	8,782	8,228	5,566	5,129	1,664	1,442



Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, breeding, market and total,  
March 1, 1971 and 1972, selected States

State	Breeding			Market			Total		
	1972			1972			1972		
	1971	Number	As % of 1971	1971	Number	As % of 1971	1971	Number	As % of 1971
	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent	1,000 head		Percent
Ohio	375	334	89	2,209	1,966	89	2,584	2,300	89
Indiana	656	660	101	4,200	4,190	100	4,856	4,850	100
Illinois	1,048	1,000	95	5,504	5,450	99	6,552	6,450	98
Wisconsin	276	259	94	1,304	1,179	90	1,580	1,438	91
Minnesota	517	474	92	2,821	2,626	93	3,338	3,100	93
Iowa	2,233	2,045	92	11,722	10,933	93	13,955	12,978	93
Missouri	751	650	87	3,540	3,650	103	4,291	4,300	100
S. Dakota	316	279	88	1,489	1,273	86	1,805	1,552	86
Nebraska	510	482	95	2,890	2,442	85	3,400	2,924	86
Kansas	291	266	91	1,789	1,634	91	2,080	1,900	91
Total 10 States	6,973	6,449	92	37,468	35,343	94	44,441	41,792	94

Market Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, by weight groups,  
March 1, 1971 and 1972, selected States

State	Under 60 lbs.		60-119 lbs.		120-179 lbs.		180-219 lbs.		220 lbs. and over	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	1,000 head									
Ohio	784	688	475	456	563	472	338	305	49	45
Indiana	1,546	1,580	890	900	1,008	990	651	620	105	100
Illinois	2,064	2,071	1,183	1,155	1,376	1,362	716	709	165	153
Wisconsin	496	450	280	255	306	273	189	170	33	31
Minnesota	1,001	932	607	565	677	656	451	397	85	76
Iowa	3,728	3,433	2,462	2,307	3,247	2,952	1,934	1,891	351	350
Missouri	1,310	1,380	786	860	849	880	471	420	124	110
S. Dakota	536	433	313	307	387	308	208	191	45	34
Nebraska	1,026	830	694	635	679	562	404	342	87	73
Kansas	653	621	429	393	403	359	250	212	54	49
Total 10 States	13,144	12,418	8,119	7,833	9,495	8,814	5,612	5,257	1,098	1,021

Farrowings: Number of sows, pigs per litter and pig crop,  
December 1/-February 1970-72, selected States

State	Sows farrowing				Pigs per litter		Pig crop 2/		
			1972				1972		
	1970	1971	Number	As % of 1971	1971	1972	1971	Number	As % of 1971
	1,000 head		Percent		Number		1,000 head		Percent
Ohio	118	123	105	85	7.00	7.30	861	766	89
Indiana	220	242	230	95	7.03	7.39	1,701	1,700	100
Illinois	321	337	310	92	6.60	7.10	2,224	2,201	99
Wisconsin	75	79	72	91	7.55	7.42	596	534	90
Minnesota	147	159	146	92	7.40	7.35	1,177	1,073	91
Iowa	499	529	462	87	6.95	7.45	3,677	3,442	94
Missouri	206	222	210	95	6.65	7.16	1,476	1,504	102
South Dakota	70	77	60	78	7.35	7.27	566	436	77
Nebraska	149	161	130	81	7.25	7.10	1,167	923	79
Kansas	89	99	97	98	7.35	7.40	728	718	99
Total 10 States	1,894	2,028	1,822	90	6.99	7.30	14,173	13,297	94

1/ December preceding year.

2/ Number of pigs born December through February, that were on hand March 1, or had been sold.

Farrowings: Number of sows, pigs per litter and pig crop,  
March-May 1970-72, selected States

State	Sows farrowing				Pigs per		Pig crop 2/		
			1972 1/		litter		1971		
	1970	1971	Number	As % of 1971	1971		1971		
	1,000 head		Percent		Number		1,000 head		
Ohio	147	147	132	90	7.10		1,044		
Indiana	281	264	250	95	7.54		1,991		
Illinois	526	489	460	94	7.05		3,447		
Wisconsin	165	149	134	90	7.57		1,128		
Minnesota	295	271	255	94	7.45		2,019		
Iowa	1,182	1,123	1,044	93	7.10		7,973		
Missouri	334	317	285	90	7.31		2,317		
South Dakota	207	190	165	87	7.30		1,387		
Nebraska	271	252	240	95	7.35		1,852		
Kansas	122	122	117	96	7.73		943		
Total 10 States	3,530	3,324	3,082	93	7.25		24,101		

1/ Intentions.

2/ Number of pigs born March through May, that were on hand June 1, or had been sold.



Farrowings: Number of sows, pigs per litter and pig crop,  
June-August 1970-1972, selected States

State	Sows farrowing				Pigs per	Pig
	1970	1971	1972 1/		litter	crop 2/
			Number	As % of 1971	1971	1971
	1,000 head		Percent	Number	1,000 head	
Ohio	153	142	120	85	7.40	1,051
Indiana	265	244	235	96	7.37	1,798
Illinois	441	395	370	94	7.06	2,789
Wisconsin	116	104	99	95	7.59	789
Minnesota	211	198	182	92	7.50	1,485
Iowa	719	647	602	93	7.15	4,626
Missouri	286	270	240	89	7.03	1,898
South Dakota	79	77	65	84	7.27	560
Nebraska	194	165	157	95	7.37	1,216
Kansas	90	88	88	100	7.70	678
Total 10 States	2,554	2,330	2,158	93	7.25	16,890

1/ Intentions.

2/ Number of pigs born June through August, that were on hand September 1, or had been sold.

Hogs and Pigs: Number on farms, pig crop in shipments, death loss and  
marketings, December 1 1/ - March 1, 1971 and 1972, 10 States

Item	1971	1972	
		Number	As % of 1971
		1,000 head	Percent
Hogs and Pigs on hand December 1 1/	50,403	46,514	92
Pig Crop Dec. 1/ -Feb.	14,173	13,297	94
Inshipments 2/ Dec. 1/ - Feb.	246	290	118
Slaughter 3/ Dec. 1/ - Feb.	19,146	17,199	90
Death Loss Dec. 1/ - Feb.	1,235	1,110	90
Hogs and Pigs on hand March 1	44,441	41,792	94

1/ December preceding year.

2/ Includes only those shipped in from States outside the 10 States.

3/ Includes farm slaughter, and feeder pig outshipments to States other than the 10 States.

